

Obituaries

Harold Keith Winston

Oct. 22, 1923 - Sept. 27, 2002

Harold Keith Winston was born in Parks, Neb., on Oct. 22, 1923, as the third son of Daniel Morgan and Ruby Elverda Winton. Harold moved to a farm in northeast Cheyenne County, Kan., with his family when he was a small boy and spent most of his younger years there with his parents and his brothers Joe, Burman and Daniel and his sister Wilma. Harold led the life of a Kansas farm boy growing up in the 20s and 30s which meant saddle horses, herding cattle, raising crops and generally working from daylight to dark. He and his brother Burman were daredevils in and out of the saddle. Many of his best stories were about this time of his life which was filled with the adventure of growing up in an era of change from the horse-drawn world to the world of machines. He rode most everything and could drive anything!

As a young man, Harold went to serve his country in World War II. Just before he shipped overseas he and his sweetheart Bettye Wiggins were married in Goodland on Sept. 23, 1944. Harold went to Europe with the 18th Armored Battalion and fought in General George Patton's Third Army as well as the First and Ninth Armies in France, Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany. Harold was wounded in action on April 9, 1945, and returned home to his wife Bettye with several medals and many, many stories about his experiences.

Harold and Bettye lived the rest of their adult lives in St. Francis. Harold was a rural mail carrier, farmer and school bus driver. They had four children Steven, Kevin, Kimberly and Shana who all grew up and were educated in St. Francis. Harold's life as a husband, father and grandfather produced another whole group of stories about things like - tickle hill, Hildegard the 1943 Chevy truck, wheat harvest and combines that worked sometimes, snowstorms and snow drifts, flat tires and driving with his left hand and left foot while sitting in the middle of the front seat.

Harold retired in 1981 and spent many pleasurable hours at the Riverside golf course and at the bowling alley with his family and friends. He and Bettye did travel some as well, although a week away from home was a long time for them.

In 1999, Harold and Bettye moved from their home of 44 years on East Second Street to a smaller retirement home on Parkway Drive.

Harold's health declined steadily after this due to chronic emphysema and he died on Sept. 27, 2002, at 78 years and 11 months of age.

Harold was a person who relished life and all of its adventures, one who could tell a story and make you laugh or make a point. He loved his family dearly and was proud of every accomplishment of all of his children, grandchildren and one great-grandchild to whom he was a very special father and grandfather.

Harold was a part of a generation of American men who saved the world from terror and evil with their blood and

their bravery. He is numbered among the heroes who have made this day in a land of freedom possible for us.

He is survived by his wife Bettye of 58 years; son Steven Winston and his wife, Vickie, Broken Arrow, Okla., grandsons Jeff Winston, Dallas, Texas, and Matthew Winston, Houston, Texas; son Kevin Winston and his wife, Barbara and granddaughter Sydney, Goodland, granddaughter Kellie Winston, Manhattan and grandson Kyle Winston, US Navy; daughter Kimberly Schields and her husband, Ron and granddaughters Alissa and Alexis and grandson A.J., Goodland, granddaughter Bronwyn Rapp and her husband, Todd and great-grandson Hunter, Branson, Mo., granddaughter Brea DeTray and her husband, Chris, Franklin, Tenn., grandson Aaron Schields, Franklin; daughter Shana Williams and granddaughter Kelsey, Chattanooga, Tenn.; grandson Ryan Williams, Knoxville, Tenn.; sister Wilma Hendricks and her husband, Carl of St. Francis; and a host of nephews and nieces and family.

Harold was the best storyteller and he had some great stories to tell.

Funeral service was held Tuesday, Oct. 1, at the Church of Christ with Reverend Norman Morrow officiating.

Honorary pallbearers were Carl Hendricks, Delmont Price, Bob Jones, Paul Taylor, Rowland Roelfs, Willard Busby, Bill Fuller.

Casket bearers were Jeffrey Winston, Matthew Winston, Aaron Schields, Ryan Williams, Kyle Winston, Anthony Schields, David Morrow.

Interment was in the St. Francis Cemetery with Military honors for Fort Riley. Arrangements by Knodel Funeral Home of St. Francis.

Merlin H. Kamla

Sept. 21, 1919 - Oct. 6, 2002

Merlin H. Kamla, age 83, longtime Sunside/Grandview resident died on Sunday, Oct. 6, 2002, at Hillcrest Nursing home, Sunside, Wash. Merlin was born on Sept. 21, 1919, at St. Francis, Kan., the son of Tobias and Amelia (Rath) Kamla.

Following his education in Kansas, Merlin entered the United States Army serving in World War II. While in the service he met and later married Ruthe McGhan at Palms Springs, Calif., on Sept. 29, 1945.

After military duty, Merlin and Ruthe made their home in Sunside, Wash., Flagler, Colo.; Grandview, Wash.; Arriba, Colo., where Merlin farmed and was an auctioneer.

In 1968, the Kamla's settled in Sunside and Merlin continued to auctioneer and worked for the Roza Irrigation until his retirement in the early 1980s. Merlin loved raising cattle and horses.

Merlin is survived by his wife of 57 years, Ruthe Kamla of Grandview; one daughter, Patty Keller and husband, Lewis of Grandview; grandfather of Kristi Canru and husband, Blas of Grandview; Vicki Weddle of Prosser, Wash., L.J. Keller and wife, Denise of Yukima, Wash., Julie Heger; one great-grandson, Kaleb Canru and two great-

granddaughters, Emilie Weddel and Shelby Burmood, one brother, Clarence Kamla, Mo., two sisters, Elenore Wassemler, Colo., and Trudy Sievers, Az.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Linda Weyer; three sisters and one brother.

Funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 12 at the Calvary Lutheran church, sunnyside.

Those wishing to honor Merlin's memory may contribute to the Calvary Lutheran Church.

Donald "Rue" Rogers

Jan. 27, 1925 - Sept. 26, 2002

Donald "Rue" Rogers was born Jan. 27, 1925, at home, in St. Francis, Kan., to Vern and Neva Rogers. He died at home on Sept. 26, 2002.

He attended a country grade school and graduated from St. Francis High School in St. Francis. He was a two-year state wrestling champion. Upon graduation, he joined the Merchant Marine Corp serving on several ships in the Pacific Theatre during World War II.

He married Carol Cole in 1944 and was divorced in 1947. They had one daughter. He married Barbara Berdean Malone in 1949 and his daughter joined them in this union. This marriage was blessed with seven additional children. Rue and Barbara recently celebrated 53 years together.

In 1951 he moved his family to Fort Morgan, Colo., where they farmed and operated a dairy. Following a back injury in 1966, he went into the insurance business where he continued until retirement. They moved to Fruitland, Idaho, in March 2001.

He was a member of the United Methodist Church of Fort Morgan.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara, five daughters and three sons; Ruetta Nicholson of Sharon Springs, Connie and Doug Dorsing of Fruitland, Marilyn and Robin Schreiner of Greeley, Colo., Veronica and David Branton of Garnett, Nancy and Dan Woodruff of Kalispel, Mont., Stanley Rogers of Fort Collins, Colo., Miles Rogers of Chico, Calif., Brian and Stacie Rogers of Mountain Home, Idaho, and a sister Donna and Larry McKibben of Surprise, Ariz. He has 16 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Rue was preceded in death by his parents, Vern and Neva Rogers, a brother Rex Rogers and a son-in-law Larry Nicholson.

Cremation was held in Boise, Idaho. A memorial service was held at the Evergreen Heights Mennonite Church in Caldwell for family. Interment will be at Serenity Falls Columbarium at the Fort Morgan Memorial Cemetery. Memorial services will be held on Friday, October 18, at 2:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Fort Morgan, Co.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the XL Hospice in Payette, Idaho or the United Methodist Church in Ft. Morgan, Colorado.



4-H MEMBERS delivered cookies to The St. Francis Herald Tuesday afternoon. Accepting a plate was Peggy Horinek. The 4-H'ers were: (l to r) Amy Hilt, Aubree Schlepp and Mikaela Grace.

U.S. 36 meeting set for Nov. 1

The U.S. 36 Fall Board of Directors Planning meeting has been set for 1 p.m. on Nov. 1 in Smith Center. The U.S. 36 Highway Association is comprised of people living in towns along U.S. 36 and interested in bringing more traffic and travelers along this scenic route which is also known as, "The shortest route between east and west."

Elmer Kellner, St. Francis, is a field representative. Representatives for Cheyenne County are Bud Erskin and Milton Lampe. They welcome input from residents and businessmen which will then be brought to the meeting.

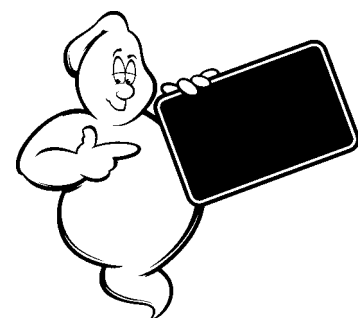
Those interested in becoming a member of the U.S. 36 Highway Association should contact Mr. Kellner or one of the other representatives.



Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Stute

50th anniversary is Oct. 25

Marlin and Eva Stute will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Friday, Oct. 25. A card shower is being requested for this special occasion by their family. Greetings may be sent to them at 940 Jackson St., Wray, CO 80758.



Bowling News

Ladies Nite Out 10/3

Team standings: Jake's 12-8; Wright Carpet 12-8; Troy's Alley Cat 12-8; Cheyenne Bowl 11-9; Great Plains Co-op; 10-10; Dundy Ag 9-11; First National Bank 6-10; Jersey Maids 6-14.

High game (scratch): Jenny Wright 197, Terry Yost 181, Marsha Kechter 181; Kathy Blecha 177, Janice Krien 177.

High series (scratch): Wright 505, Kechter 502, Yost 491

Wednesday Coffee League 9/25

Team standings: Krien Steel Buildings 14-2; Cheyenne Bowl 9-7; Sam's Electric 8-8; Windmill Restaurant 8-8; Snyder's Hay Gals 7-9; Flower Magic 6-10; The 3 G's 6-10; Dairy King 6-10

High game (scratch): Inez Bargo 181, Kathy Snyder 166, Barb Cobb 164

High series (scratch): Bargo 472, Snyder 455, Cobb 444

Monday Mixed League 10/6

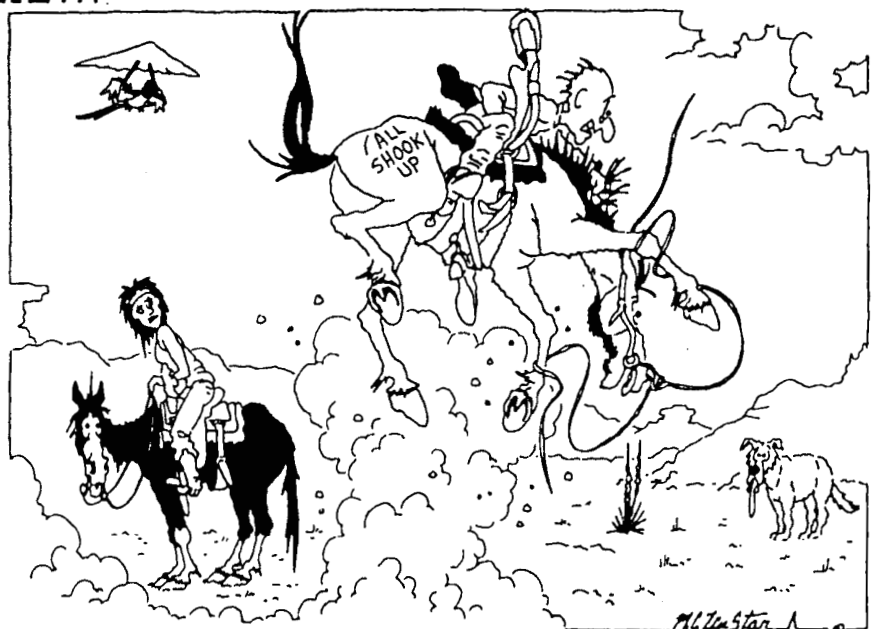
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ter 9-7; Z-Tubing 9-7; Cueballs 8-8; Captain Hook's Fine Dining 8-8; Hook's Auction & Realty 7-9; Krien Pharmacy 7-9

High game (handicap): Earl Hankins 255, Royce Gienger 228, Kale Zimbelman 212, Mike Merchant 212; Tammy Zimbelman 244; Tami Merchant 231; Erica Harland 216

High series (handicap): T. Merchant 616, Janice Krien 607; T. Zimbelman 599; M. Merchant 601, Bill Ehrman 594, Gienger 594, Hankins 587

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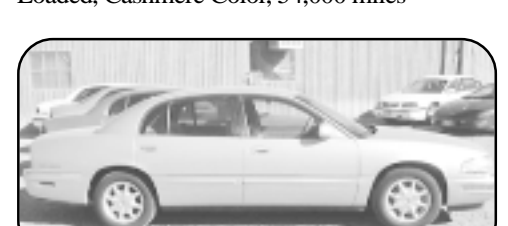
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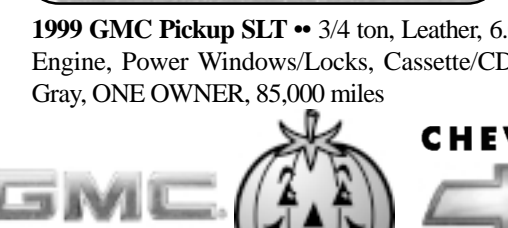
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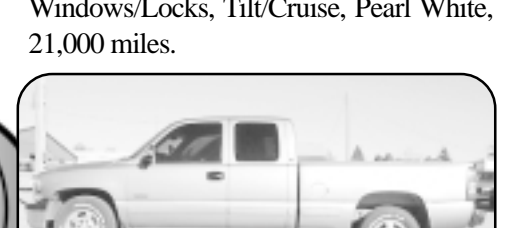
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